UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

CHARLES MCCOY, : Case No. 2:23-cv-2017

Petitioner, : District Judge Sarah D. Morrison

Magistrate Judge Kimberly A. Jolson

VS.

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STATE OF OHIO, :

:

Respondent.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Petitioner has filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in this Court. (Doc. 1). On July 5, 2023, the Court issued a Deficiency Order requiring petitioner to either pay the \$5.00 filing fee or file a motion for leave to proceed without prepayment of fees within thirty (30) days. (Doc. 2). Petitioner was also ordered to show cause why this action should not be transferred to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals as a successive petition. (*Id.* at PageID 5-6). Petitioner was advised that "failure to comply with this Order will result in the dismissal of this action for want of prosecution." (*Id.* at PageID 6).

To date, Petitioner has failed to comply with the Order of the Court. Since the Court issued its Order on July 5, 2023, Petitioner has filed several motions and submitted a letter to the Court (Docs. 3–9), but none of the filings address the Court's concerns.

"District courts have the inherent power to sua sponte dismiss civil actions for want of prosecution to manage their own affairs so as to achieve the orderly and expeditious disposition of cases." *Link v. Wabash* R.R., 370 U.S. 626, 630–631 (1962). Failure of a party to respond to an order of the Court warrants invocation of the Court's inherent power in this federal habeas corpus

proceeding. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); see also Rule 11, Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in

the United States District Courts, 28 U.S.C. foll. § 2254.

Accordingly, the case should be dismissed for petitioner's failure to comply with the

Court's July 5, 2023 Order. *In re Alea*, 286 F.3d 378, 382 (6th Cir. 2002).

It is therefore **RECOMMENDED** that this matter be **DISMISSED** for lack of prosecution.

PROCEDURE ON OBJECTIONS

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), WITHIN 14 DAYS after being served with a copy of

the recommended disposition, a party may serve and file specific written objections to the proposed

findings and recommendations. This period may be extended further by the Court on timely

motion for an extension. Such objections shall specify the portions of the Report objected to and

shall be accompanied by a memorandum of law in support of the objections. If the Report and

Recommendation is based in whole or in part upon matters occurring on the record at an oral

hearing, the objecting party shall promptly arrange for the transcription of the record, or such

portions of it as all parties may agree upon, or the Magistrate Judge deems sufficient, unless the

assigned District Judge otherwise directs. A party may respond to another party's objections

WITHIN 14 DAYS after being served with a copy thereof. Failure to make objections in

accordance with this procedure may forfeit rights on appeal. See Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140

(1985); United States v. Walters, 638 F.2d 947 (6th Cir. 1981).

Date: August 21, 2023

s/Kimberly A. Jolson

Kimberly A. Jolson

United States Magistrate Judge

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